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United States of America v. Apolonio Barrera		) ) ) )	Case No.	M-18	3 ~1	. Clark of Ca 1 - 8 0 9	<b>\</b>	
Defenda	nt							
		CRIMINAL CO	MPLAINT					
I, the complainant in t	his case, state the	hat the following is	s true to the l	est of my	know	vledge and bel	ef.	
On or about the date of	of 02/17/2018	in the county of	Hidalgo	in	the _	Southern	_ District of	
Texas , the defer , an offense described as follo		Title 18	U. S. C. §	39A				
Aiming a laser pointer at an ai	rcraft							
This criminal complai	nt is based on t	hese facts:						
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						ki, FBI Special	Agent	
Sworn to before me and signe	d in my presend	ce.				Mul	1	
Date: 05/01/2018				//	Judge	s signature		
City and state:	McAllen, Te	exas		Scott Ha		US Magistrate	Judge	

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## ATTACHMENT A

I am a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), and have knowledge of the following facts:

- 1. On February 17, 2018, at approximately 7:50 pm, a United States Customs and Border Protection (CBP) helicopter aircraft N3935A was patrolling the Rio Grande Valley Sector when its cockpit was illuminated by a green laser for approximately 5 to 10 seconds.
- 2. The CBP aircrew, who were flying under night vision goggles, located the source of the laser beam and trained their Forward Looking Infrared (FLIR) camera system on two individuals in the backyard of a residence. While keeping the individuals under surveillance with their FLIR, the aircrew requested assistance from Border Patrol ground units in identifying the person(s) responsible for the laser strike.
- 3. Border Patrol Agents (BPA) and a Hidalgo Police Department officer responded to the residence and encountered Apolonio Barrera, who said he aimed his laser pointer at the helicopter. The BPA seized the laser pointer, which was turned over by Barrera.
- 4. The FBI interviewed Barrera on February 28, 2018, who, post-Miranda, admitted to directing a laser beam at an aircraft during the evening of the 17th.